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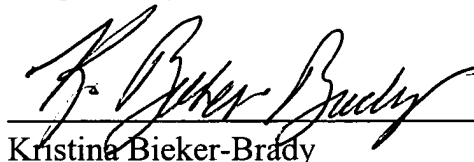
in 37 C.F.R. 1.821-1.825.

Applicants note that the forms PTO 1449 submitted with the Information Disclosure Statements filed on March 31, 1999 have not been initialed and returned, and hereby requests that they be initialed and returned with the next Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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